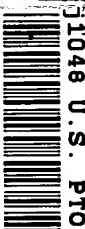


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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER AND FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 CFR 1.53(b))

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is:

- ☒ a patent application
- ☐ a Continuation ☐ a Divisional ☐ a Continuation-in-Part (CIP) Application of prior application no.: \_\_\_\_\_; filed \_\_\_\_\_, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.
- ☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_; filed \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ A Small Entity Statement(s) was filed in the prior application; Status still proper and desired.

Inventor(s) or Application Identifier:

**Ronald DeShawn Blanton**

Entitled: **METHODS FOR CHARACTERIZING, GENERATING TEST SEQUENCES FOR, AND/OR SIMULATING INTEGRATED CIRCUIT FAULTS USING FAULT TUPLES AND RELATED SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS**

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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ 29 pages of Specification (including 55 claims)
3. ☒ 6 sheets of Informal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
  - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
  - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 5 Below]
  - c. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
7. ☐ Assignment papers (*cover sheet(s) and document(s)*)
8. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
9. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and 31 references cited



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10. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)  
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 12. ☐ Certified Copy of Application No. ; Filed  
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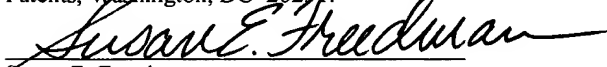
  
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